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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of :

Chyi-Cheng CHEN and  
Bruno LEUENBERGER

Serial No.: 09/726,880

Filed: November 30, 2000

For: **VITAMIN POWDER COMPOSITION  
AND METHOD OF MAKING**

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Examiner: T. Ware

Art Unit: 1615

New York, New York  
April 16, 2003

**SUBMISSION UNDER 37 CFR § 1.114:**  
**RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION INCLUDING AMENDMENT**  
**AND PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Mail Stop RCE  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box. 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in response to the Final Office Action mailed December 17, 2002.

This Response is being filed concurrently with a Request for Continued Examination (RCE), and satisfies the requirement to file a "submission" under 37 CFR § 1.114(a).

The Final Office Action set a three-month shortened statutory period for response. A one-month extension of time to respond to the Office Action is hereby requested. Accordingly, the RCE and Response are filed timely upon mailing, with an executed certificate of mailing, on or before April 17, 2003. 37 CFR §§ 1.8 and 1.136. Enclosed

are two checks: one in the amount of \$750.00 to cover the fee for the RCE, and a

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This Response is drafted in the revised format pursuant to the procedure set forth at 1267 OG 106 in the Notice entitled "AMENDMENTS IN A REVISED FORMAT NOW PERMITTED." Accordingly, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification:** None.

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